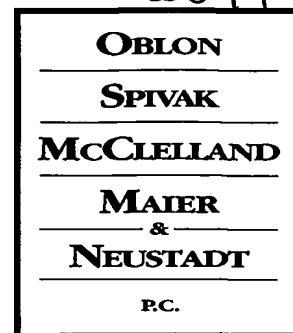




Docket No.: 218844US2SRD



COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

MARVIN J. SPIVAK
(703) 413-3000
MSPIVAK@OBLON.COM

RE: Application Serial No.: 10/054,938
Applicants: Hiroshi KANAZAWA, et al.
Filing Date: January 25, 2002
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SUPPRESSING
NOISE COMPONENTS CONTAINED IN SPEECH
SIGNAL
Group Art Unit: 2644
Examiner:

SIR:

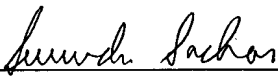
Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

SECOND STATUS REQUEST FOR FIRST OFFICE ACTION (in duplicate)

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.



Marvin J. Spivak
Registration No. 24,913

Customer Number

22850

(703) 413-3000 (phone)
(703) 413-2220 (fax)

Surinder Sachar
Registration No. 34,423

DOCKET NO.: 218844US2SRD/mms



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Hiroshi KANAZAWA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/054,938

GROUP NO: 2644

FILED: January 25, 2002

EXAMINER:

FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SUPPRESSING NOISE
COMPONENTS CONTAINED IN SPEECH SIGNAL

SECOND REQUEST

FIRST OFFICE ACTION STATUS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date a first Official Action will be issued on this Application.

A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marvin J. Spivak".

Marvin J. Spivak
Registration No. 24,913

Customer Number

22850

Tel. (703) 413-3000
Fax. (703) 413-2220
(OSMMN 10/04)

Surinder Sachar
Registration No. 34,423